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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated May 3, 2005 for the above-identified patent application, Applicants submit the following: '

Amendments to the Claims to present rejected claims in better form for consideration on appeal as reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2.

Remarks/Arguments including Request for Reconsideration which begin on page 8.